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(57) **ABSTRACT**

An electromechanical actuator (EMA) is disclosed. The  
EMA may comprise an EMA housing, a ball nut extending  
axially within the EMA housing, a ball screw extending  
axially within the ball nut, and/or an actuator drive unit  
(ADU) housing extending axially within the ball screw, the  
ADU housing having a proximal stop that extends radially  
outward of the ADU housing. The ball nut may be config-  
ured to translate axially in a proximal direction in response  
to a rotation by the ball screw, and the ball nut may be  
configured to be halted in the axially proximal translation in  
response to contact with the proximal stop. The proximal  
stop may be coupled to the ADU housing. The proximal stop  
may comprise a continuous annular structure.

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